for next year are the water supply schemes to Nemmara and Mattancheri, about which there can be no difference of opinion in this House, purchase of machinery for the Chowwara Head Works and the electric installations proposed for the General Hospital and Trichur Puthiya Kovilagom.

Scientific, etc., Departments.—As against the revised estimate of Rs. 90,100, the budget estimate is fixed at Rs. 1,11,900 or Rs. 21,800 in excess, out of which the increase under Industries Department alone comes to Rs. 13,000 in round figures on account of the lump provision for opening of new schools, larger grants to aided schools and additional provisions for scholarships.

With the appointment of a full-timed Archaeologist the activities of the Archaeological Department are bound to increase, and hence a larger provision of Rs. 3,867 has been made for next year as against the revised estimate of Rs. 1,118.

Under 'Economic Development Committee' a provision of Rs. 5,000 has been made for next year.

Miscellaneous.—I now come to the last budget head for grants, viz., 'Miscellaneous' under which we have provided Rs. 1,68,300 as against the revised estimate of Rs. 45,700. The Special Finance Committee recommended in one of their communications to the Government that, as the report of the Committee was not likely to be ready in sufficient time to enable the Government to incorporate their recommendations in the budget of 1103, and that, since the Committee are unanimously of opinion that the pay of the lower subordinates of Government should be improved without undue delay, a lump allotment of one lakh of rupees be provided in the budget to give effect to the Committee's recommendations in this behalf. We have accordingly provided one lakh of rupees for utilisation when final orders are passed on the report to be received from the Committee.

Another provision that may require some explanation from me is that of Rs. 7,000 for the uplift of the depressed classes. Now that a Protector of the Depressed Classes has been appointed, various items of expenditure may have to be incurred by him besides the necessary staff, and hence the provision. Government are considering the details of the work in this connection, and my friend, the Member for Education, whois the Protector of the Depressed Classes will, when his turn comes, explain the whole scheme to the House.

Lastly, I would refer to our financial position at the end of 1103. The year 1102 which opened with a net surplus of

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